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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In the application of:

Ann MONOSOV and Xinyu Fu.

Serial No.: 09/023,232

Filing Date: 13 February 1998

For: NUDE MOUSE MODEL FOR HUMAN  
NEOPLASTIC DISEASE

Examiner: Ann Marie S. Beckerleg

Group Art Unit: 1632

**EXPEDITED PROCEDURE –**  
**EXAMINING GROUP 1632****DRAFT****AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116****Box AF**Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

This is in response to an Office Action herein mailed 13 September 2001, time for response to which was set to expire 13 December 2001. All pending claims, claims 1-65 were rejected and the rejection was made final. Careful consideration has been given to the grounds for rejection and the following amendment and discussion are offered in response.

Reconsideration is respectfully requested. Enclosed is the following Exhibit A:

Exhibit A: Marked-up Version of Amendments to the Claims.